



SAN BENITO COUNTY INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE

Kollin Kosmicki County of San Benito Supervisor	Angela Curro County of San Benito Supervisor	Mia Casey City of Hollister Mayor	Rick Perez City of Hollister Council Member	Jackie Morris-Lopez City of San Juan Bautista Council Member	Leslie Jordan City of San Juan Bautista Mayor Pro Tempore	Krystal Lomanto San Benito County Office of Education Superintendent of Schools
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City Council Chambers 375 Fifth Street, Hollister, CA 95023

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE - REGULAR MEETING AGENDA May 1, 2024 4:00 PM

All attendees must comply with any other rules of procedures/instructions announced by the Intergovernmental Committee and/or County Staff. The meeting will be available through Zoom and Peak Agenda for those who wish to join or require accommodations.

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Written Comments & Email Public Comment

Members of the public may submit comments via email by 5:00 PM on the Monday prior to the meeting to the Hollister City Clerk at coh.cityclerk@hollister.ca.gov.

Public Comment Guidelines

- A.** The Committee welcomes your comments.
- B.** If participating on Zoom, once you are selected you will hear that you have been unmuted: At this time, please state your first name, last name, and county you reside in for the record.

- C. Each individual speaker will be limited to a presentation total of three (3) minutes, or such other time as may be designed by the Chair.*
- D. Please keep your comments, brief, to the point, and do not repeat prior testimony, so that as many people as possible can be heard. Your cooperation is appreciated.*

If you have any questions, please contact the Hollister City Clerk, at (831) 636-4000, Ext. 1017 or email coh.cityclerk@hollister.ca.gov.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 3. ROLL CALL:**

Committee Members:

- **County of San Benito: Supervisor Kosmicki and Supervisor Curro**
- **City of Hollister: Mayor Mia Casey and Council Member Rick Perez**
- **City of San Juan Bautista: Council Member Jackie Morris-Lopez and Mayor Pro Tem Leslie Jordan**
- **County of San Benito Office of Education: Superintendent of Schools Krystal Lomanto**

Ex-Officio Committee Members:

- **San Benito High School District: Superintendent Shawn Tennenbaum**
- **Hollister School District Trustee: Kim O'Connor, Board Clerk**

Staff:

- **City of San Juan Bautista: City Manager Don Reynolds**
- **County of San Benito: County Administrative Officer Ray Espinosa**
- **City of Hollister: City Manager David Mirrione**

- 4. APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING AGENDA**

- 4.a. Approve Affidavit of Posting Agenda**
Cert of Posting Intergovernmental 05.01.2024

- 5. PUBLIC COMMENT**

The Intergovernmental Committee welcomes you to this meeting and encourages your participation.

- ***If you wish to speak on a matter that does not appear on the agenda, you may do so during the Public Comment period at the beginning of the meeting. Except as otherwise provided by law, no action shall be taken on any item not appearing on the agenda. When addressing the Commission, please state your name for the record. Please address the Commission as a whole through the Chair.***

- *If you wish to speak on an item contained in the agenda please seek recognition from the Chairman prior to consideration of the item.*

6. REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

- 6.a. **Approve Meeting Minutes for the April 3, 2024 Regular Meeting**
04.03.24 Intergovernmental Committee Meeting Minutes
- 6.b. **Receive a Presentation from DarkSky International**
- 6.c. **Receive a Presentation from Visit San Benito**
- 6.d. **Receive an Update from Hazel Hawkins Hospital**
- 6.e. **Committee Member Reports**
- 6.f. **Future Agenda Items**

7. ADJOURNMENT

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, and Govt. Code 54953(e)(1)(A), the City will make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting. If you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the City Clerk minimum of 48 hours prior to the meeting at (831) 636-4000.

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INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE**

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

Pursuant to Government Code Section #59454.2(a), the agenda for the San Benito County Intergovernmental Committee meeting of May 1, 2024, was posted on April 25, 2024 at the following location, freely accessible to the public:

The San Benito County website (cosb.us) under the events calendar and BOS Mtgs Peak

and

The public notice board located at the City of Hollister City Hall, 375 Fifth Street, Hollister, CA

I, Daisy Caceres, certify under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing is true and correct.

**DAISY CACERES, DEPUTY CITY CLERK
CITY OF HOLLISTER**



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INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE - REGULAR MEETING- APRIL 3, 2024 – 4:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 PM by Chair Jordan.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Perez.

3. ROLL CALL:

Committee Members:

County of San Benito:

Present: Supervisor Kollin Kosmicki (via Zoom)

Absent: Supervisor Angela Curro

City of Hollister:

Present Mayor Mia Casey and Councilmember Rick Perez

Absent: None

City of San Juan Bautista:

Present: Mayor Pro Tem Leslie Jordan

Absent: Councilmember Jackie Morris-Lopez

County of San Benito Office of Education:

Present: None

Absent: Superintendent of Schools Krystal Lomanto

Ex-Officio Committee Members:

San Benito High School District:

Present: Superintendent Shawn Tennenbaum

Absent: None

Hollister School District Board Clerk:

Present: None

Absent: Board Clerk Kim O'Connor

Staff:

County of San Benito: County Administrative Officer Ray Espinosa - Absent

City of Hollister: Assistant City Manager Rod Powell

City of San Juan Bautista: City Manager Don Reynolds

4. APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING AGENDA

Moved by Mayor Casey and seconded by Councilmember Perez to approve the Affidavit of Posting Agenda.

Motion carries: 4-0-0 (Supervisor Curro, Superintendent Lomanto, and Councilmember Morris-Lopez absent)

Voting For: Kollin Kosmicki, Mia Casey, Rick Perez, Leslie Jordan

Voting Against: None

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

6. REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

6.a Approve minutes for the February 7, 2024 Regular Meeting of the San Benito County Intergovernmental Committee.

No speakers present.

Moved by Mayor Casey and seconded by Councilmember Perez to approve the minutes for the February 7, 2024 regular meeting of the San Benito County Intergovernmental Committee.

Motion carries: 4-0-0 (Supervisor Curro, Superintendent Lomanto, and Councilmember Morris-Lopez absent)

Voting For: Kollin Kosmicki, Mia Casey, Rick Perez, Leslie Jordan

Voting Against: None

6.b. Discussion on options to promote San Benito County as the “Home of Pinnacles National Park”.

Pinnacles National Park Superintendent Blanca Stransky provided a presentation regarding the strategic planning and future plans for the Pinnacles National Park to promote partnerships and connect to the surrounding communities. Superintendent Stransky reported data was previously compiled regarding the spending patterns of visitors to Pinnacles.

Mayor Casey requested a copy of the report referenced by Superintendent Stransky.

Supervisor Kosmicki inquired about partnerships between other national parks and their surrounding communities.

Superintendent Stransky provided information regarding branding and promotion of other national parks and their partnerships with the surrounding communities and nearby universities and schools, including events, marketing campaigns, etc. Superintendent Stransky stated Pinnacles needs to be promoted in a sustainable way to protect the wilderness there and minimize vandalism.

Supervisor Kosmicki commented on the desire to bring visitors to the entire region and its attractions, such as wineries and Fremont Peak.

Superintendent Stransky stated there is currently no visitors center at Pinnacle to provide interpretive exhibits, but they are open to highlighting other regional attractions on their website. Superintendent Stransky supported highlighting the Pinnacles experience starting when visitors arrive in surrounding communities, including requesting CalTrans improve signage along the route to Pinnacles and improving the roadways.

Supervisor Kosmicki supported reforming the Pinnacles Partnership organization.

San Benito High School District Superintendent Shawn Tennenbaum provided information on Hollister High School’s dark sky initiatives and programs.

Valerie Egland with REACH supported local agencies and organizations partnering with Pinnacles to support an increase in visitors to the park and region.

Michelle Leonard with the San Benito County Chamber of Commerce spoke regarding the Chamber’s previous work to support tourism in the County. Ms. Leonard supported a dedicated tourism program to help connect visitors to businesses in the County, such as hotels, restaurants, etc.

No speakers present.

Superintendent Stransky commented on potential grant opportunities to support partnership programs and events, such as a California Condor Festival.

Supervisor Kosmicki suggested the various jurisdictions consider budget funds to support a marketing campaign. Supervisor Kosmicki supported renaming Highway 25 Pinnacles National Park Highway at least from the Highway 101 corridor to Pinnacles.

Mayor Casey reported on the Visit San Benito tourism organization and their efforts.

Superintendent Stransky requested contact information for potential partners and community members related to tourism, transportation, etc.

6.c Committee Member Reports

No reports.

6.d Future Agenda Items

Mayor Pro Tem Jordan announced the annual Rib Cookoff will be held in San Juan Bautista on April 25-28, and the Poppy Jasper Film Festival will be held in San Juan Bautista, Hollister, and Gilroy April 10-17.

Councilmember Perez requested a future presentation to provide more information on dark sky initiatives and programs.

Mayor Casey suggested inviting Visit San Benito to attend to give presentation on their work.

Supervisor Kosmicki requested Hazel Hawkins Hospital provide an update.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:09 PM.



**SAN BENITO COUNTY
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AGENDA ITEM
TRANSMITTAL FORM**

Kollin Kosmicki County of San Benito Supervisor	Angela Curro County of San Benito Supervisor	Mia Casey City of Hollister Mayor	Rick Perez City of Hollister Council Member	Jackie Morris-Lopez City of San Juan Bautista Council Member	Leslie Jordan City of San Juan Bautista Mayor Pro Tem	Krystal Lomanto San Benito County Office of Education Superintendent of Schools
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Item Number 6.b

MEETING DATE: 05/01/2024

AGENDA ITEM PREPARER: Daisy Caceres, Hollister Deputy City Clerk

SUBJECT:

At the April 3, 2024, Intergovernmental Committee meeting, the committee requested a future presentation to provide more information on dark sky initiatives and programs. Andy Kreyche, Vice President of the Santa Cruz Chapter of DarkSky International will provide a presentation regarding dark sky initiatives.

AGENDA SECTION:

Regular Meeting Agenda

ATTACHMENTS:

None.



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Item Number 6.c

MEETING DATE: 05/01/2024

AGENDA ITEM PREPARER: Daisy Caceres, Hollister Deputy City Clerk

SUBJECT:

At the April 3, 2024, Intergovernmental Committee meeting, the committee requested a future presentation from the Visit San Benito organization. Irene Davis from Visit San Benito will provide a brief presentation on their work and mission.

AGENDA SECTION:

Regular Meeting Agenda

ATTACHMENTS:

None.



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Item Number 6.d

MEETING DATE: 05/01/2024

AGENDA ITEM PREPARER: Daisy Caceres, Hollister Deputy City Clerk

SUBJECT:

At the April 3, 2024, Intergovernmental Committee meeting, the committee requested an update on Hazel Hawkins Hospital. Mary Casillas, CEO of Hazel Hawkins Hospital, will provide an update on the status of the hospital's future and potential impacts on the community.

AGENDA SECTION:

Regular Meeting Agenda

ATTACHMENTS:

None.